

03/15/01
USPTO
PRO

BAKER BOTTS LLP

03-16-01 A

30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA AUSTIN
44TH FLOOR BAKU
NEW YORK, NEW YORK DALLAS
10112-4498 HOUSTON
212.705.5000 LONDON
FAX 212 705 5020 MOSCOW
NEW YORK
WASHINGTON

Appln. Trans.
PATENT

**UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION
TRANSMITTAL**
(Only for new nonprovisional
applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. A34106
First Named Inventor Elazar Sonnenschein
Express Mail Label No. EF321690030US
Total Pages 174

JC973 U.S. PTO
09/09/01
03/15/01

BY EXPRESS MAIL - Label No. EF321690030US

March 15, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box Patent Application
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing is a patent application of Elazar Sonnenschein, Minelu Zonnenschein, Randal Chinnock and Lawrence Crainich entitled FUNDOPLICATION APPARATUS AND METHOD

which includes:

Specification 100 Total Pages
 Claims 14 Total Pages
 Abstract 1 Total Pages
 Drawing(s) 59 Total Sheets
 X formal
 _ informal

Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney Total Pages
 Newly executed (original or copy)
 Copy from a prior application
 (for continuation/divisional only - must be filed to avoid surcharge for late filing)

If a continuing application, check appropriate box:

Continuation Divisional Continuation-In-Part (CIP)
of prior application No.

Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence:

"This is a continuation divisional continuation-in-part
of copending application Serial No. filed ."

Appln. Trans.
PATENT

Attorney Docket No. A34106

An Assignment of the invention to ___.
 is attached. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
 will follow.
 has been filed in the prior application

Small Entity Status is claimed.

Small Entity Statement filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired.

Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) PTO-1449
 Copies of IDS Citations.

Preliminary Amendment

Return Receipt Postcard

Other ___.

Cancel in this application original claims ___ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

<u>FOR</u>	(Col. 1) <u>No. Filed</u>		(Col. 2) <u>No. Extra</u>		Small Entity <u>Rate</u>		OR	Other Than A Small Entity <u>Rate</u>	Other Than A Small Entity <u>Fee</u>
Basic Fee					\$355.00				
Total Claims	64	-20	=	44	x 9 =	\$396.00	x 18 =	\$0.00	
Ind. Claims	5	-3	=	2	x 40 =	\$80.00	x 80 =	\$0.00	
Multiple Dependent Claim					+ 135 =		+ 270 =		
					Total	<u>\$831.00</u>			<u>\$0.00</u>

* If the difference in Col. 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2.

Fee Payment Being Made:

Enclosed

Basic filing fee \$831.00

Recording Assignment \$0.00
[\$40.00; 37 CFR 1.21(h)]

Total Fees Enclosed \$831.00

A check in the amount of \$831.00 to cover filing fee is enclosed.

Appln. Trans.
PATENT

Attorney Docket No. A34106

Priority

[x] Priority of application Country Israeli, Appln. Nos. 135117 filed March 16, 2001, 138632 filed September 21, 2000, 139788 filed November 20, 2000, and 141665 filed February 26, 2001 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

[x] Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Country Israeli, Appln. Nos. 135117 filed March 16, 2001, 138632 filed September 21, 2000, 139788 filed November 20, 2000, and 141665 filed February 26, 2001.

[] is/are attached [x] will follow [] has been filed in the parent application S/N .

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, and 1.21(h) associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

By

Ronald B. Hildreth

PTO Registration No. 19,498

Enclosures